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"24-HYDROXYVITAMIN D, ANALOGS AND USES THEREOF"

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SECOND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the subject application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

4. (Twice Amended) The method of claim 14 wherein said 24-hydroxyvitamin D is a compound of formula (I):



